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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 30TH, 1903.

It will be generally admitted that there are few men in China in a better position to offer an opinion on the educational progress of the country than are the missionaries who are scattered over the whole Empire and whose business inevitably brings them into close touch with the educational movement. Their contributions to our knowledge on this subject are always interesting and, so far as actual facts are related, they can hardly fail to be instructive but we cannot say the same of many of the opinions they deduce from their facts. When CHANG CHIH TUNG, nine or ten years ago, published his notable plea for the popularising in China of Western learning in the arts and sciences and advocated the sending of students abroad to study, he suggested sending them especially to Japan. Many thousands of selected Chinese students have passed through the schools and colleges of Japan during the last decade, and the education they have received apparently fills the missionaries with dismay. Scarcely an article is written or a speech made by a missionary on the educational question which does not express concern on the subject. It is a dismay clearly born of prejudice. The complaint is that the education imparted in Japan is entirely "practical"; that there is no "decidedly religious influence" in the schools; and consequently the education received is calculated to raise up strenuous opposition

to existing order and methods of government. Can that be considered a highly immoral result of education? Is it not the natural result of the education; whether with or without the decidedly religious influence? If CHANG CHIH TUNG did not intend Western education to have that result, his plea for its encouragement was meaningless. "Among the Chinese," he wrote, "there is no incentive to thought or action, . . . and the condition of things has become stagnant and effete. Effeteness has begotten stupidity, and stupidity lethargy; lethargy has produced idleness and idleness waste." Again: "If we do not change soon, what will become of us? European knowledge will increase more and more, and Chinese stupidity will become more dense." If that is not a call for "strenuous opposition to the existing order of things" what does it mean? Happily the Government has recognised the need for radical reform of the existing order of things and these young men who have been chosen to receive an education abroad are destined to be largely employed in carrying out this great undertaking. We have no difficulty in believing that Chinese who acquire Western learning at home are as a class more docile and less impatient than those who have seen with their own eyes the fruits of that learning abroad; but we are hardly prepared to accept the statement that they are better men and better citizens because they have not been abroad. It is natural to expect that the young men who have studied in more advanced countries, and are consequently better able to appreciate what has to be accomplished in China before this great Empire can enter the comity of nations, should be more impatient and more strenuous in their opposition to the existing order of things. The missionary whose observations we have in mind in penning these few comments puts all the strenuousness and impatience down to an assumed absence of religious influence in the educational training of these youths. It might on the contrary, and perhaps with far more justice, be said to show that the moral side of their education had not been neglected, and that they had learnt to hate injustice and evil in all its forms with a burning hate. CHANG CHIH TUNG, when he wrote his plea for the encouragement of Western learning was as fully alive to the importance of moral training as is any educationist anywhere, and it cannot be said that the ethical side of education is neglected in Japan. The writer we have quoted goes so far as to say that the future of the country will turn on the issue of the struggle between the force of revolution inspired by "non-moral Western learning" and the force of orderly progress inspired by Christian ideals. By which of these is Dr. SUN YAT SEN inspired?

Lady Elgott is a passenger by the "Kamo Maru" which is expected on Wednesday.

The Right Reverend Bishop Landier is expected to arrive in Hongkong next week.

The offerings at the Cathedral yesterday were devoted to the funds of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association.

The list of copyright works which has been publicly exposed at the Court House is published in the current Gazette.

The death is announced in Manila of Mr. C. C. Brower, one of the most prominent business men of the city.

The name of Miss Daisy A. M. Gale has been added to the register of medical and surgical practitioners qualified to practice in this Colony.

A harvest thanksgiving service was held at the Union Church yesterday. An organ recital followed the evening service at the Union Church last night.

Mr. R. O. Hutchison has been appointed to act as Head of the Sanitary Department, and Mr. A. E. Wood to act as Assistant Registrar General and Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Mr. James F. Young, the advance manager of the Bandmann Opera and Comedy Companies, has arrived in Hongkong, and is making the necessary arrangements for the performances of next week.

Instructions are published in the current Gazette for owners or agents of infected vessels from which the passengers or crew may be removed to the Observation Station at Lai-chikok by order of the Health Officer of the Port.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to Ordinance No. 12 of 1903, entitled—An Ordinance to provide for the registration of Chemists and Druggists and to regulate the Sale of Poisons.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. A. Bedford, C.M.G., R.A.M.C., Principal Medical Officer, South China Command, a Member of the Sanitary Board, vice Lieutenant-Colonel J. M. Reid, R.A.M.C., resigning with effect from the 19th instant.

The French Mail of the 27th October was delivered in London on the 27th inst.

We are requested by the Robinson Piano Co. to mention that all persons who have booked seats for any of the A. D. C. performances are requested to make early application for their tickets.

Tokyo papers report that a syndicate has been formed by Messrs. Bush Bros., a British firm at Nishiwang and Mr. Tsukado, Vice-President of the Japan Hypothec Bank, for the purpose of working the various mines of gold, silver, copper and iron in the region of the right bank of the Yalu river.

The following additional regulation has been added to the quarantine regulations: "The place known as the Government Observation Station at Lai-chikok shall be set apart as a place for the detention and seclusion of persons, whether actually suffering from disease or not, arriving on board vessels subjected to quarantine."

On Wednesday, the 2nd of December, the Austro-Hungarian Consulate will be closed. Consul and Mrs. von Wiser will receive their friends at home on Wednesday afternoon in honour of the sixtieth anniversary of the accession to the Throne of the Ruler of the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy, Emperor Francis Joseph the First.

The annual general meeting of the Kowloon Dock Staff was held in the Reading Room on Tuesday last when the following members were elected to office for the ensuing year—Wm. Stewart, Chairman; J. C. Gow, Secretary; R. Lapsley, Treasurer; R. J. Brown, Librarian; W. J. Crawford, W. Davison, J. Hand J. Ramsay, J. Tully, Committee. It was also agreed to carry on the Bi-Weekly Dances and to hold the usual annual ball on Hogmanay Eve.

The Hankow race meeting was favoured with glorious weather and excellent sport was witnessed. The race for the champion sweepstakes was won by Mr. Reynold's "Herald" (for the third time) Springfield up. The "big sweep" proved a record for Hankow, the total amounting to nearly \$5,000. Mr. Danby of Chinkiang drew the winning pony. The "Herald" is to run at the Poochow races. This pony won five races at Hankow.

A determined fight, we learn from a Manila contemporary, is to be made by the Manila Merchants' Association against the adoption in the Philippine Islands of the metric system. The whole matter has been referred to the legislative committee. The American merchants are, in the main, opposed to it, while the Filipino tradesmen feel that they would be lost beyond recovery in the intricacies of what seems to them a needless substitute of a well understood system already in general use. The promise of the Governor-General to meet the business public half way in the proposition is regarded as encouraging.

A very successful smoking concert, the first of the season, was held on Saturday night at St. George's Club and proved very successful. The attendance was large and the entertainment was of more than ordinary merit, so that the promoters may feel gratified with the result of their efforts. Mr. G. A. Diss made an excellent chairman. The programme was sustained by Messrs. E. B. Ayris, tenor; F. A. Mackintosh and A. C. Diss, baritone; F. T. Chapelle, bass; W. Pelling, A. Hannibal, R. L. Bridge, E. G. Jordan and Captain Parks, humorists; Lieut. R. M. Croese and Mr. W. Williams, who gave musical sketches; and Messrs. D. Harvey and W. Anderson who contributed a duet, the former playing on the one-stringed violin and the latter on the oboe. Mr. Atkins played the accompaniments.

DEATH AT AMOY.

The death of Mrs. Joseland which took place on the morning of the 24th inst. is deeply felt in Amoy. She had been connected with the London Mission Society for a long number of years, and had done good service both in Changchow and Amoy. Mrs. Joseland had proved herself to be an excellent and honoured teacher, wife, mother and friend. Her experience of human life was considerable, and she knew how to say the word in season to those who were in trouble. Her judgment was considered to be admirable. Coming from a well known ministerial family in England, and having received a valuable training in one of the best institutions, she was fitted to do good service in teaching. She improved her powers, and endeared herself to schools of boys, girls, and women.

So far as Amoy is concerned, she was the only married lady in the Mission. She was given to hospitality and exercised a gracious influence over those who needed a friend. Her loss will be widely felt. Her brother is minister of the Union Church in Shanghai. The younger son and daughter are at home and there are two sons in Amoy, one connected with Messrs. Tait & Co., and one with the Anglo-Chinese College. The saddest part of the painful loss is that the stricken husband, Rev. F. P. Joseland, has been away in a distant part of the Mission field, where neither letters nor messengers have reached him in time. He left his wife in good health and will now return to find her not only dead, but buried.

The funeral took place in the Community Cemetery. A long company assembled, Chinese from college and school marshalled in strength. Westerners also showed their deep regard. Foreign gentlemen carried the coffin from the mortuary to the grave, where tokens of affection abounded in beautiful wreaths. The Rev. J. Macgowan read the service in English. In Chinese the Rev. J. Sadder officiated. Hymns were sung in English "Jesus, Lover of my Soul" in Chinese, "The Happy Land."

A new battleship is to be laid down at Portsmouth Dockyard on January 1, 1904. She is provisionally named the "Poudroyant," and will be an improved St. Vincent, but no details of the vessel are at present obtainable.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION
OF JAPAN.Tokyo, November 29th.
The first annual dinner of the British Association of Japan was held on Friday.

Sir Claude Macdonald, H. M. Minister to Tokyo, presided and Ambassador Kato was the guest of honour.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

THE FRENCH NAVY.

LONDON, November 26th.

During the discussion of the French Navy estimates in the Chamber, Mr. Picard was cheered for a speech forecasting reforms in the administration and an improvement in the artillery of the navy.

LORD ROBERTS' SPEECH.

LONDON, November 26th.

The discussion on the debate in the House of Lords continues briskly in Germany and numerous technical articles by military experts, giving varying opinions about the feasibility of the invasion of Great Britain, have appeared.

DEATH OF A JAPANESE MINISTER

LONDON, November 26th.

The Japanese Minister to Spain has died at San Sebastian.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, November 26th.

The Government has introduced a bill in the Duma authorising a loan of 450,000,000 Roubles, the Bill to be discussed with closed doors.

AUSTRIA AND TURKEY.

LONDON, November 26th.

Unless the Turkish boycott of Austrian goods ceases before 2nd prox., the Austrian Ambassador will quit Constantinople on a prolonged holiday.

LONDON, November 27th.

There is a panic on the Vienna Bourse due to a combination of disquieting rumours of the Balkan situation. Reassuring official statements failed to restore confidence. Interest centres in the negotiations between Vienna and St. Petersburg regarding the conference and it is admitted in Vienna that the views of the two Governments are very divergent.

FRANCE.

LONDON, November 26th.

The French Army Committee has adopted the Government's proposal to increase the number of artillery regiments from 40 to 64, and batteries from 506 to 634, giving each army corps 120 guns instead of 92.

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, November 27th.

Mr. Taft appoints Mr. Hitchcock Postmaster.

FRANCE AND THE NEAR EASTERN QUESTION.

LONDON, November 27th.

In a debate on Foreign Affairs in the French Chamber, M. Pichon said that the hope was warranted that Austria would agree to come to an understanding with the Porte, and that it was not impossible to find compensations for Serbia and Montenegro. The Turkish Chargé d'Affaires at Vienna has informed Count Schrenthal that the Porte will do all possible to prevent the boycott.

AN APPEAL FOR WORK.

A well-dressed, well-groomed man called at the office of the Mayor in Cincinnati (U.S.A.), a couple of months ago and said:—"Sir—I have just 74d. To-morrow night the rent of my room is due. I have not a friend in the city. I want work, work of any kind. Lambert is my name—Charles Edward Kilcourse Lambert—an Oxford graduate, a lieutenant in the Boer war, cousin of the Earl of Cavan, and best man at the wedding of the Duke of Manchester."

"I am not looking for charity. What I want is work. Got me a place washing dishes, I have not had a substantial meal for a week, and I will thank you most sincerely."

"Ten years ago I had £7,000, but ran through the money, and my people turned me off. I came to America and tried to get on. I did juvenile 'leads'—with a Quebec company, and was stranded. Then I came here and inquired for the British Consul, and was told there was none here."

"I answered an advertisement for a wash-washer, and found twelve men ahead of me at 5 in the morning. Fawcett's clothing and dress I gave up. Yes, I could, but my clothes are the sole link between me and the past. If I drop them I become a tramp like the dozens I see sleeping in the parks. With them I can make what Americans graphically call a 'front.' No, I will stick to them to the last."

The Mayor promised to see what he could do.

SERIOUS RIOT IN FATSHAN.

A riot of a rather serious nature occurred in Fatshan yesterday. It originated through the police arresting a monk who recently declared himself before the public to be a living Buddha and has been preaching his doctrine and selling charms in the streets in Fatshan during the last two or three weeks. He professed to be capable of performing miracles and healing all kinds of diseases. Many ignorant men and women, believing in his power to heal, have even pawned their clothing to purchase his charms. The local Press have published several articles pointing out to the public the preposterous character of the monk's professions, and exhorted the people not to waste their money in purchasing his charms nor to believe in the monk's healing power. But the ignorant class did not heed the good advice. Finally an officer of No 1 Police Station in Fatshan who could not any longer tolerate this robbing the poor people of their hard-earned wages, or the impudence of the monk in raising the price of the charms on account of the daily increase of demand for them caused the monk to be arrested and sent him over to the Head Police Station in Canton to be tried and punished. Shortly after the arrest was made a mob of over 1,000 men and women went to No 1 Police Station and demanded the monk's release. The police refused and were pelted with stones by the monk's supporters. Several arrests were made. This incensed the people and a riot ensued in the course of which the station and all the furniture were wrecked and the Chief Police Station in Fatshan was saved only in the nick of time by the arrival of reinforcements under the command of the Kwang Chow General Woo Ling Shuen.

REBEL CHIEF KILLED.

GOVERNMENT PAYS £10,000 REWARD.

The Viceroy of Canton has been informed by telegram that the Rebel Chief, Wong Wo Shun, has been killed by several of his comrades who having surrendered and sworn allegiance to the Chinese Government, declared at the same time their willingness to capture their Chief. Wong Wo Shun's head was produced and identified by several military officials. The Kwangsi Governor requests His Excellency to remit \$10,000 reward to Taotais Koong and Kwok of Lim-chow Prefecture for distribution amongst those who took part in the capture of the notorious brigand Chief. Wong Wo Shun had long been an object of terror to the inhabitants and a constant source of uneasiness to the officials in Kwangsi.

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A
CIGAR MERCHANT.

A Russian merchant named Bouslans Malasewsky, of 62, Des Vœux Road, appeared before Mr. J. E. Wood at the Magistracy on Saturday charged with being in unlawful possession of five cases of cigarettes, valued \$1,030. Mr. E. J. Grist appeared to prosecute and Mr. J. H. Gardiner defended.

Mr. Grist said that Saturday was a very awkward day for business men, as it was their half-day, and he would be glad if the case could be again fixed for a day next week.

His Worship—Oh no, I shall not do that. I want to go on now. I have given you full notice, Mr. Grist.

Mr. Grist—I understood the case was adjourned for a week. I should not have consented for it to come on on a Saturday.

His Worship—There must have been a misunderstanding. Besides I have a very full week next week.

Mr. Grist—Of course if your Worship insists, we must go on with the case.

Mr. Grist said there was no direct evidence that defendant had either stolen the cigarettes or had taken them in his possession knowing them to have been stolen, beyond his own statement that he purchased the cases for \$500, and as he himself was a dealer in cigarettes he must have known that to be able to buy them at this low rate they must have come to him in an unlawful way.

A partner in the firm of Protapas and Co., of Chefoo stated that on October 24th he sent six cases of cigarettes to his firm at Amoy, where he afterwards went and discovered that they had been taken away. The five cases produced were those he consigned. He did not know defendant.

Detective Sergt. Appleton stated that he found the cases on defendant's premises, lying openly on the verandah. Defendant was not present; but later he came to the Police Station and claimed the cases, producing a receipt for \$500.

Mr. Gardiner submitted that the case solely rested on the question of value. These cigarettes were sent to Amoy to be sold during the visit of the American fleet, but they did not sell and, being left a drag on the market, people naturally thought they could buy at a bargain. So defendant bought them for \$500 and brought them down to Hongkong thinking to make a profit.

The case was adjourned in order that the Russian Consul at Amoy might be asked to investigate the circumstances of the sale of cigarettes to defendant.

IMPERIAL EDICTS.

In response to a memorial presented by the Board of Rites, an Imperial Edict was issued on the 28th inst. notifying that the reign title will be *Sin Tung* from the commencement of the next Chinese year.

The official Geomancer has selected the 9th day of the 11th moon (December 2nd) as a lucky day for the accession, which will take place at noon.

An Edict announces the lying in state of the late Empress Dowager at Wong Kik palace and gives directions regarding memorial services.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

November 27th.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

The total sum of money due on the second instalment of the shares of the Canton-Hankow Railway Company amount to over \$13,200,000 out of which about \$1,500,000, is reported to have been collected by the Company up to the 30th day of the 10th moon (23rd instant), and from this amount the sum of \$800,000 was paid into the Company in drafts or promissory notes to be collected on the date.

THE FATSHAN LINE.

It is reported that recently complaints have been made by many passengers of the Fatshan Railway of articles missing from the passengers' luggage cars.

Owing to the recent increase of railway fares many steam launches have been placed on the Canton-Fatshan run, and, if stern measures are not taken to put a check to the pilfering which is causing great annoyance to travellers, the bulk of the passenger trade will fall into the hands of the steam launch owners.

OBJECTION TO A KEROSENE DEPOT.

A British firm purchased a piece of land in Samshui for the purpose of building a kerosene depot. The gentry there objected to a kerosene depot and applied to the Sam-shui Magistrate to issue an injunction restraining the foreign firm from erecting the depot on the ground that kerosene is "dangerous goods." The Magistrate reported the matter to the Viceroy who directed the Provincial Treasurer to investigate and settle the question.

THE ENTROUNCEMENT OF THE NEW SOVEREIGN.

H.E. the Viceroy has received cable instructions from Peking to notify the officials and the people of the Kwangtung Province that the enthronement of the young Emperor will take place on the 1st day of the 1st moon next year and that the Grand Council has decided to adopt the two characters Shuen Tung (宣統) as the title of the reign of the new Emperor. As it is customary in many lines of trade to print the title of the reigning Emperor on the articles manufactured, the cablegram expressly instructs His Excellency to issue proclamations to inform the public that all articles and goods which are now being manufactured for the forthcoming year must bear the title of the new Emperor.

NEW COINS.

The Viceroy is also in receipt of telegraphic instructions from the Board of Revenue at Peking requesting him to instruct the Director of the Provincial Mint to cease minting operations as stamps for new coins bearing the title of the new Emperor are being made and will be sent to the Canton Mints as soon as they are ready.

DUTY ON NATIVE OPIUM.

The Director of the Liang Kwong Bureau of native opium has reported to the Viceroy that the total amount of duty collected on native opium during 12 months i.e. from the 1st day of the 10th moon of the 32nd year of Kwong Su to the 30th day of the 10th moon of the 33rd year of Kwong Sui was 683,793 taels and that out of this sum 306,250 taels were collected from the Kwangtung Province.

OPIUM AFFAIRS.

The Superintendent of Police has notified the public that, owing to the death of Emperor Kwang Sui, the new wooden opium smoking licenses will not be issued for some time yet as it is necessary to alter the date of expiration to the 30th day of the 5th moon of Emperor Shuen Tung.

Sometime ago a proclamation was issued by the Viceroy restricting the sale of opium smoking requisites. This was heeded for some time, but of late these articles have again been freely exposed for sale in many shops both in Ho Pak and Ho Nam. His Excellency has issued a second proclamation ordering the confiscation of the goods exposed and seizure of the shop.

EX-VICEEROY SHUM.

It is rumoured here in official circles that news has come through private channels that ex-Viceroy Shum has gone to Peking and that he will not doubt be placed in some high and responsible position. It is also said that Shum was summoned to proceed to Peking by Imperial order.

A SOLDIER'S SUICIDE.

Lance-Corporal Smith, of the Buffs, committed suicide on Friday night at the Barracks by cutting his throat. No reason is assigned for the rash act. The body was removed to the Military Hospital.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND THEIR AGENTS.

Mr. Summerbell asked the Home Secretary in the House of Commons last month whether his attention had been called to a clause in the policies of insurance companies which stipulated that such companies were not bound by the acts of their agents or representatives unless the same were countersigned by the general manager; and, if so, whether he was prepared to take steps, by legislation or otherwise, to make such companies responsible for the acts of their agents or representatives when acting as such on behalf of the company.

Mr. Churchill, who replied, said—I do not know whether any insurance company issues policies containing a clause stipulating that the company is not bound by the acts of its agents or representatives unless countersigned by the general manager. My attention has, however, been called by the hon. member to a clause in a policy issued by an insurance company in which it is stated that no agent or other representative has any authority to dispense with the express performance of any of the conditions referred to in the policy; and that no alterations of the policy or any endorsement thereof will be valid as against the company unless the same be countersigned by the general manager of the company. This clause as worded does not appear upon its face to be illegal. I must, however, add that the whole question of the responsibility of this class of company for statements made by their agents is receiving attention.

RANDOM REFLECTIONS.

Has it ever occurred to any of my readers to inquire into the meaning of the word dollar? We use it every day, I mean the word—not every one of us is so fortunate as to handle the dollar itself—but few of us when introduced to the local currency ventured to take any thought as to its origin. The subject was brought to my notice in the Peak tramway the other day. Among the passengers was a party of Americans which included one dear old lady who seemed to be much perturbed because this was an English colony and its money consisted of dollars and cents. "Why," she said addressing the company, "the dollar is an American institution," and she looked as if she were aggrieved that anybody else should use a word which she evidently regarded as exclusively American.

Though nobody dared to enlighten the old lady or apologise for British aggressiveness in using a term which she thought belonged to the States, it struck me that very few knew anything about the origin of the word. We know that previous to 1793 the English pound was in use in the United States, but on July 6th of that year the Continental Congress established the dollar, although the exact weight was not fixed until almost a year later, when it was made to approximate to the weight of the old Spanish dollar. Many people are under the impression that the dollar originated with the Spanish, but such is not the case. It was first coined at Joachimthal, a mining town in Bohemia, and hence called "Joachim's thaler," or simply thaler or dollar. I am not quite sure but I suppose we may regard the Mexican dollar as a descendant of the old Spanish dollar, and that being so, our offence in basing our currency on the Mexican dollar may not be so heinous after all.

But talking of dollars emphasises the lack of them. It sounds a little Irish, I'll admit. Maskee. What I mean is that the fall in exchange makes our dollars less valuable and with some people more scarce. Yet because those affected are not civil servants there is no outcry such as we heard not so long ago. Now the civil servants smile more broadly than before, but the poor beggars who find their salaries have not the same purchasing power that they once had and those who have to remit regularly home do not share in the jubilation. Not being in the Government employ they have simply to lie low and wait for better days. But when is this downward tendency to stop? It has been continuous throughout the year and as 1908 draws to a close it seems more pronounced. For instance on Saturday there was a drop of a farthing from the previous day, which is quite a big fall, and bodes ill for the immediate future.

The Chinese equivalent of the old cry "get your hair cut" might be applicable in China at present, but it is certainly not expedient. In these days of mourning for the Imperial dead the Celestials must not have their heads shaven and though dirty crowns look bad and possibly feel worse, they must be tolerated until the period of 100 days has elapsed. One man got into trouble at Canton over visiting a barber who was induced to operate upon him. The latter risked death but he was let off with a whipping. Verily, barbers must have good reasons for mourning at present.

This note is not altogether Chinese, though the "child like and bland" nature of the explanation might suggest that it was. According to the Chinese Public Opinion, the Chief of Police at Amoy has asked the Japanese Consul concerning the matter of fishing with bombs in the rivers in Fokien Province. The Consul replied that the parties in question were not fishing but were only in play.

Down Singapore way the time honoured discussion "Scotmen or Scotchmen?" has arisen. One writer, evidently a Sassanach, seeks to justify the use of Scotchmen, because, forsooth, he finds the word in an English dictionary. This is adding insult to injury. And when he describes himself as an "Anglesman" so as to presumably follow the fashion of those who call themselves "Scotmen" he only brings ridicule upon himself. Though I have little sympathy with the ultra-patriotism of those Scots who look upon the rest of the world as in heathen darkness because it is not under the patronage of Mac Somerbody or other, I think a fairly good case can be made out for preferring Scotsmen to Scotchmen.

Admittedly we have been accustomed to the use of the word Scotchmen, and when we have said that we have admitted perhaps the strongest argument in its favour. I have read several histories of Scotland and sampled a few of the old writers but I can't remember one who described the men of Scotland as Scotchmen. They are alluded to as Scots, or Scotts, from which doubtless comes the adjective Scottish, but not until comparatively recent years do we find the appellation of Scotchmen employed. The famous body founded in France in 1418 was not the Scotch Guards; even our own regiment was the Scots Guards, and it seems to me, if on no other ground than that of euphony, "Scotsmen" have made out a good case for the use of that term in preference to the other. I notice the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society calls its members "Scotsmen," and who in the East dare question that authority?

I am sure, Mr. Editor, you will pardon my Scottish outburst this week, when I remind you that I am preparing myself for the carnival of St. Andrew on Monday night. I am dieting myself on porridge and haggis, experimenting with samshu-so as to get a good lining for the whisky receptacle, and practicing a few guttural sounds so that I may be able to overcome the misfortune of my life in not having been born in Scotland. [N.B.—Shows how careful a man should be in the choice of his parents.] [Another N.B.—This is a joke.] I am real when sober and yell "hooray" on the slightest encouragement. I possess Scottish (not Scotch) ancestors who were hanged for sheep stealing and my middle name begins with Mac.

Women are making great sensations at home. The suffragettes are continuing their noisy campaign with the clamour of "votes for women," and the prisons occasionally shelter a few of the more aggressive, but it is left to the town of High Wycombe to establish the precedent of electing a lady for mayor. There can be no doubt that a few of the aldermen did not view with pleasure the prospect of being ruled by a woman, even though she rejoices in the name of Dove. Perhaps most of them were married and looked on the council chamber as a safety valve which enabled them to express themselves more freely than they dared in the presence of their spouses! None of them described the situation so well as Alderman Gomma who rushed into verse as follows:

Our beautiful Dove has fallen in love
With thirty-one men round a table;
She wants a seat in the Mayoral chair,
But I doubt whether she is able.

The prospect of ruling thirty-one men is tempting for any woman, but—There is much significance in a "but."

What a plethora of entertainments we are going to have next month! The Amateur Dramatic Society open on Wednesday and hold the boards for six nights, then the Bandmann Comedy Company come to delight us for a time. When we have got over the New Year festivities the Kowloon Amateurs will call for our patronage when they present "The Silver King" on the 9th and 11th January. Following this we are to have the Herbert Widders Concert Co. with us for a short season. With a few dances sandwiched between these entertainments, the winter in Hongkong should not be one of discontent.

Permit me to clear up a misunderstanding, Mr. Editor. When the newspapers announced that Mr. Wood, the Police Magistrate, had decided that canteens must be licensed they jumped to a conclusion which was not warranted by the facts. The decision was that no civilian could conduct a canteen for his own profit without a licence. The ordinary military canteens are not affected by the decision, and Tommy Atkins' little attempt at co-operative dealing will not be handicapped by a tribute to the Government.

RODERICK RANDOM.

POPE'S SACERDOTAL JUBILEE.

To celebrate the sacerdotal jubilee of His Holiness Pope Pius X, the members of the Catholic Union held a literary and musical festival in the hall of their Club on Saturday evening. The red Chinese lanterns which lighted up the exterior of the building were tastefully arranged, and showed Mr. J. M. de Gracia's scheme of decorations to advantage. The entrance to the hall was a pretty arbor of greenery, and above the door was an illuminated portrait of the Pope, the skilful work of Mr. M. A. Baptista. This was draped by the crossed flags of England and Portugal. The Pontifical Arms, above the entrance to the Union grounds was also the work of this gentleman. Needless to say, there was a very large attendance which included His Excellency the Governor, who was accompanied by Captain Simson, A.D.C., and Mr. A. J. Brackenbury (Private Secretary). There were also present H. E. General Broadwood, Admiral Lambton, Commodore, Mrs. and Miss Lyons, the Hon. Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C. (Attorney-General) and Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt.

The evening's programme contained addresses in sixteen different languages, many of which were Oriental, even the Tibetan tongue being included. This is eloquent testimony of the expansion of the Catholic faith, and a brilliant advertisement of the energy of its Apostles in seeking new fields in which to sow the seed of Catholicism among unbelievers. Although in most instances the large audience listened to orations in unknown tongues, they were enabled always to follow the meaning of speaker's address by reason of the pious eyes which he turned in the direction of a picture of the Pope standing on the stage, and as each speaker concluded with blessings on the head of the Holy Father the hall rang with applause.

The musical part of the programme opened with Wagner's grand march "Tannhäuser" which was skilfully played by the orchestra of the Societade Philharmonica. Then a number of the pupils of the Italian Convent sang a "Hymn to the Pope," appreciative applause following them off the stage. Mme. A. P. Marty pleased with her song "Souvenez-vous," and Mrs. A. E. S. Alves gave an excellent rendering on the piano of "Rondo Capriccioso." Miss Angela Alves earned a well merited ovation for her singing of "Salve Maria" and Miss Edith de Carvalho's beautiful voice was heard to advantage in the song "Inflammatus." The piano duet "Beatrice di Tenda" was skilfully played by the Misses Ah Wee and Best, and Mr. A. N. Clothier received an ovation for his singing of "Pro Pectus." Mr. F. Gonzales' violin solo "Il Trovatore" was an excellent item. The programme ended with the chorus "Tu es Petrus," sung by the pupils of St. Joseph's College and friends, and accompanied by the Societade Philharmonica's orchestra. The committee of the festival were very liberal with bouquets, each lady who sang being recalled and presented with one. The accompanists for the evening were Miss Ah Wee and Messrs. E. Danenberg, A. V. de Silva and M. Galluzzi. The festival closed with a stanza of the National Anthem.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Apex str. Gregory Ayer from Calcutta left Singapore on the 27th inst. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 4th prox.

The E. A. Linie str. Istria left Singapore on 28th inst. at 10 a.m. and may be expected here on 5th prox. at daylight.

The Danish str. Stam, left Singapore on the 27th inst. a.m. and may be expected here on or about the 6th prox.

The C.P.R. str. Glenary arrived Vancouver on the 26th inst.

The I.G.M. str. Prins Sigismund which left here on Friday the 6th inst. has arrived at Sydney on the 28th inst. at 7 a.m.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. "A" V. KOWLOON.

These teams met on the ground of the Hongkong Cricket Club on Saturday, and the "A" team scored a win by three wickets and 69 runs. For the winners Anderson made the excellent score of 97, Turner adding another 67 to the total. The top scorer for Kowloon was Dixon, whose total was 41. J. H. McD made a useful 29. Four of the "A" team's wickets were taken by Martin for 52 runs, while Major Chitty took 2 for 26 runs. Four Kowloon batsmen were dismissed by Martin for 33 runs while Turner took three wickets for 19 runs. Scores and analyses are—

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB "A" TEAM.

A. E. Lanning, c Dixon, b Martin	67
L. D. R. Anderson, c Dixon, b Martin	97
L. D. R. Anderson, c Dixon, b Martin	67
W. C. D. Turner, b Chitty	67
L. Mullens, c Dixon, b Martin	11
E. H. M. Dixon, b Martin	0
L. H. W. Great, not out	6
E. C. Oliver, c Dixon, b Chitty	0
L. I. C. Innes, A. P. Dashwood and E. Irving did not bat.	0
Extras	4
Total	201

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

W. G. Martin	11	53	4
W. E. Dixon	9	81	1
W. F. Brewer	2	13	0
M. Chitty	2	25	0
C. E. Libbert	2	20	0

KOWLOON.

Lt. Halderston, b Mullens	3
W. F. Dixon, c and b Martin	2
W. F. Dixon, c and b Martin	2
H. Beer, run out	5
J. P. Robinson, b Turner	26
Major Chitty, c Lanning, b Martin	2
W. W. Wilson, c and b Martin	2
W. F. Brewer, c Martin, b Turner	13
W. G. Martin, not out	4
J. Chittland, c Irving, b Turner	2
C. E. Libbert, c Mullens	2
Extras	5
Total	138

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Lt. Mullens, c and b Martin	12	2	37	2
Lt. D. R. Anderson	11	4	23	1
H. H. Martin	12	4	38	4
Lt. Halderston	3	2	2	0
W. C. D. Turner	5	19	3	0

H.K.C.C. "B" V. POLICE.

Played on the Police ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, this match ended in a win for the visitors by 173 runs. Scores and analyses are—

HONGKONG POLICE.

Deveney, c and b Baird	15
Edwards, c Lewis, b Hancock	0
Ong, c Baird, b Hancock	2
McKilling, c Baird, b Hancock	0
Kent, run out	7
Cockle, c Sharpin, b Baird	3
Cooper, run out	2
Langley, b Baird	11
Bell, b Baird	11
Foley, not out	12
Extras	3
Total	58

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

R. Hancock	7	1	30	2
Capt. Baird	7	25	5	0

HONGKONG "B" TEAM.

Johnston, c and b Foley, b King	9
P. Jacks, c and b King	7
A. O. Lang, c Deveney, b Edwards	23
A. O. Lang, c and b King	2
C. S. Lookhart, b King	3
Capt. Baird, b King	3
S. S. Logan, b King	15
Ed. D. Brown, b King	12
Lewis, c and b Foley	25
R. Hancock, not out	45
T. E. Pearce, b Kent	16
Extras	18
Total	231

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Foley	9	39	5
King	13	58	5
Edwards	9	50	1
Kent	6	31	2
Deveney	4	36	0
Bell	3	14	1

CRAGGOWER V. ARMY STAFF.

This match was played on Saturday and resulted in a win for the Craggower Cricket Club by 4 wickets and 64 runs. The following are the scores:

H.K.C.C. "A" TEAM.

Crowe, c and b Evans	3
Foaney, b Pestonji	13
Osman, c Evans, b Hancock	30
Davidson, b Evans	13
Sturdy, c and b Evans	13
Maloney, b Pestonji	0
Cresswell, b Pestonji	12
Beadmore, c Aggar, b Rose	11
Sedler, c and b Rose	1
Steel, c Phillips, b Rose	0
Kingwiese, b Phillips	1
Extras	21
Total	160

CRAGGOWER.

E. Pestonji, c Davidson	17
E. Bass, c Davidson	16
A. B. Davidson, c and b Sturdy	13
R. Phillips, b Sturdy	13
G. A. Hancock, not out	33
J. D. Norris, retired	48
M. E. Aggar, c Osman, b Davidson	17
L. A. Rose, c Sturdy, b Osman	0
E. Rapp, not out	6
W. V. Virevash, did not bat.	48
Extras	15
Total	164

CIVIL SERVICE V. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

This match was played on the military ground at Happy Valley on Saturday, the result being a win for the Civil Service by 4 runs and 4 wickets. Scores and analyses are—

CIVIL SERVICE.

A. E. F. Raven, b Moriah	39
E. C. Wickham, c Coxon	50
A. B. Davidson, c and b McGreggor	0
E. B. Rose, c Harrison, McGreggor	10
J. A. Biddon, c McGreggor	17
E. C. Hutchinson, not out	25
E. C. Biddon, c McGreggor	0
F. Biddon, c and b Coxon	0
E. E. O. Bird, c and b Coxon	3
Extras	3
Total	127

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

H. R. Phillips and L. E. Brett did not bat.	0		
Holland	8	16	2
Moriah	8	46	2
Harris	2	12	0
Coxon	2	18	0
McGreggor	2	45	4

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Sgt. Holland, b Brett	14
Sgt. Meany, c Sutton, b Bird	4
McGreggor, c Hutchinson	4
Sturdy, c and b Bird	0
Lt. Sedler, c and b Hutchinson	8
Lt. C. Moriah, b Bird	9
Sgt. Bird, not out	29
Sgt. Phil, b Bird	8
Capt. Harrison, c Hutchinson, b Bird	2
Sgt. Dorman, c and b Brett	2
Lt. C. Coxon, c and b Bird	2
Extras	2
Total	138

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

Bird	12	5	48	5
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LAWN BOWLS.

Cosmopolitan Dock players held open house on Saturday afternoon when they acted as hosts to the Taikeo players. A fairly strong contingent came up from Quarry Bay but Cosmopolitan Dock had to enlist the services of a few friends to make up the three rinks. However both teams were able to enjoy a good game, and the result was a win for the home men by a substantial margin. The scores were—

TAIKEO.

W. Bassford	—	R. Galloway	—
J. McIntyre	—	W. Taylor	—
H. Hanna	—	A. M. Neves	—
A. Currie (skip)	19	J. Ramsey (skip)	22
T. Grimshaw	—	J. MacGlashan	—
T. Dinning	—	Insp. Cameron	—
R. Aitken	—	T. Petrie	—
R. Perrie (skip)	11	A. Nicholson (skip)	14
D. MacNeil	—	F. Neves	—
P. T. Farrall	—	A. Crane	—
W. Hardwick	—	R. Hunter	—
J. Dickie (skip)	17	T. Neves (skip)	30
Extras	47		66

At the close Mr. Ramsay expressed the pleasure the Dock players had in entertaining their friends from Quarry Bay, a pleasure which was enhanced by their having won the match, and he called upon the Dock men to give three hearty cheers for Quarry Bay. These were given and the compliment was reciprocated by the visitors.

YACHTING.

The Corinthian Yacht Club held their opening cruise yesterday at Leichikok under most favourable circumstances, for the weather was all that could be desired. There was a large attendance of members and their friends and all arrangements were carried out without a hitch, excepting, however, the Ladies' Race, Handicap Class, which seemed to have started without any official directions, but provided a good race all the same. One of the buildings of the Standard Oil Co. was converted into a temporary tiffin room where an enjoyable luncheon was provided for those who got in early, but the late comers found that it resembled a picnic where one scrambled for everything. However everyone seemed very merry and happy.

At the conclusion of the races the Vice-Commodore, Mr. E. M. Hazeland, called upon Mrs. Pearce, who graciously presented the prizes to the various winners amidst hearty applause.

After cheers and "tiggers" for the ladies, the winners, and the Vice-Commodore, the launches left for Hongkong.

The following are the results:—

One Design class—1, Aethor (Witchell); 2, Dorothy (Forbes).

Handicap Race—1, Corinnac (MacKay); 2, Ayesha, (Taggart).

Motor Race. There were four competitors. Nellie, Maudie, Vital Spark, Katie, on respective marks of scratch, 3 minutes, 3 minutes, and 5 minutes. The result was 1, Katie (Henderson); 2, Maudie; 3, Vital Spark; 4, Nellie (De Vries).

Handicap Class Race. Seven competitors. Race finished in 47 minutes 1, Carross (Withers); 2, Ayesha, (Taggart).

One Design Race for Officers and Engineers of Merchant Fleet; nine competitors. Race finished in 51 minutes 1, Dorothy (Summers); 2, Beatrice, (Milroy); 3, Astor (Captain Dickinson of the Siberia).

Ladies' Race Handicap—1, Carross; 2, Ayesha. Ladies Race One Design Class—1, Dorothy; 2, Beatrice; 3, Joan.

Motor Boat Race, half mile (Flying Start)—1, Vital Spark (Rogers). 36m.12; 2, Maudie, 36m.19; 3, Katie 36m. 57.

FOOTBALL.

H.K.C.C. V. NAVY.

A Rugby match was played at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon between teams representing the Hongkong Rugby Club and the Navy. The Navy team won by 30 points to 1.

H.K.C.C. V. NAVY.

These teams met in a Soccer match at the Valley on Saturday. The sailors were victorious, winning by two goals to nil after an excellent game.

H.K.C.C. V. BUZZ.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. v. a Company team of the Buzz at Happy Valley to-day. Kick off, 5 p.m. Goal—F. H. Kew. Backs—A. Hamilton and B. Humphreys. Half-backs—T. E. Wall, H. C. Barton, H. L. Garrett. Forwards—W. H. Williams, W. Weston, R. B. Turner, J. H. Mead and another.

THE AMERICAN FLEET AT MANILA.

NO SHORE LEAVE FOR THE MEN.

Admiral Sperry in a letter to the Governor-General of the Philippines last week said he had decided not to give the men of the fleet shore leave. Among other reasons for the decision are the following—The daily reports of the bureau of health show that there is still cholera in the city, the fact that some of the cases found are dead or in an advanced stage of the disease indicates that there has been concealment; the house to house inspection has been abandoned; Commissioner Worcester's report shows that Manila is in an unsanitary condition; the absence of quarantine against the provinces makes it possible for cholera to be reintroduced into the city any day; the fleet's cruise to the United States lies through the tropics and were shore liberty granted here, in addition to the thousands of men in the command, the fleet would face the danger of quarantine at Colombo and other ports of call on the cruise.

The *Observer* comments on this as follows:—The letter of Admiral Sperry in which he states his definite refusal to allow the crews of the ships shore liberty is a severe rebuff to the generous hospitality prepared by the citizens of Manila for the men of the Battleship Fleet. His refusal does not seem to us founded on reason. The example of the Philippine Squadron seems to disprove the Admiral's contention of danger. We feel so keenly on this subject that we hesitate to write upon it. It is better perhaps to leave unsaid what one might say.

THE STRAITS DINNER.

SPEECHES BY LORD GREVE AND OTHERS.

About one hundred and fifty were present at the annual Straits Dinner in London, on the 19th inst. including Lord Greve, Colonial Secretary, the chief guest.

Mr. W. H. Shelford, who was in the chair, proposed the toast of the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States. He deprecated losing faith in the future of the colonies merely because there had been depression during the past year. Outbursts of feeling against the Shipping Conference were exaggerated. He hoped that Tanjong Pagar dock changes would be reduced, so as to remove the stigma that Singapore was the most expensive port in the East. Mr. Shelford also referred to gambling in tin and on exchange, and condemned the banks for assisting the Chinese to speculate in these things.

Mr. Hugh Fort replied to the toast, and expressed his conviction that those who were interested in the Straits and Malaya had no reason to fear the future. He was of opinion that the method of government in the Malay States must be reconsidered and suggested the formation of a joint advisory board.

Lord Greve, Secretary of State for the Colonies, replied to the toast of the guests. He said that one of the greatest interests of the Straits was that Singapore was the chief wayside inn of the Empire. It was hard that the Straits should suffer more through other people's gambling than their own. He believed that the operations at Tanjong Pagar would be carried out in the best possible way, and every effort would be made to restore the harbour. His lordship agreed as to the closeness of the interests between the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States. He paid warm tributes to the Malay Sultans and to the Resident-General, Sir William Taylor, and also to the High Commissioner, Sir John Anderson, and Sir Clement Smith, a former holder of the office.

RAILWAYS IN CHINA.

COMPLAINTS OF VIOLATION OF CONTRACTS.

The *Times* correspondent at Peking telegraphing on the 26th ult. said—

The *Official Gazette* publishes an exultant memorial from the Yu-chuan-pu, or Ministry of Communications, reporting the conclusion of the recent £5,000,000 Anglo-French loan negotiation and emphasizing the fact that the contract contains no reference to any control of the railway or special protection of its proceeds. It cites it as a new departure establishing a principle of great advantage, increasing the power of China at home, and strengthening confidence abroad.

While excuse can be found for the memorial confidence abroad must soon be shaken if the present mismanagement of the railways by the Yu-chuan-pu continues. China is making great progress in so many directions that it is deplorable that the most important department of Railways and Telegraphs should be entrusted to the corrupt Minister Chen-pai.

Complaints of violation of contract are being received from nearly every railway in China in which British capital is interested and are engaging the serious attention of the British Legation. The Canton-Kowloon Railway is in constant difficulties. The Shanghai-Nanking Railway, owing to *liken* obstruction, is virtually forbidden to earn money by carrying freight, and the earnings are therefore insufficient to pay interest on the capital.

The large deficit will, by the terms of the Government guarantee, have to be made good by the Chinese Government from an incalculable revenue.

The Shanghai-Ning-po Railway contract, signed on March 6, 1906, is wholly ignored. The Yu-chuan-pu borrowed £1,500,000 of British capital for the construction, under a British chief engineer, of this important railway of 219 miles in length within three years from the date of the signature of the contract. It has secured the surplus earnings of the Northern railways, whose chief engineer, Mr. Kinder, has just resigned. No attempt has been made to fulfill the terms of the contract for which money was borrowed. A British engineer was appointed by the managing director but the Yu-chuan-pu has permitted the Provincial Railway Bureau to repudiate the director and repudiate his appointment of the Englishman. The Englishman, who was induced to leave a good appointment, has received one month's pay, is now in Shanghai without an agreement, and is forbidden to interfere in the construction of the railway, and the money borrowed is lying untouched in the bank. Some pretence to work is being done with local money under an engineer of Greek nationality, but the line constructed is an elementary one and is in a disgraceful condition. It will require rebuilding, while the rolling stock of various patterns, bought without expert supervision, causes amusement to those onlookers who are not shareholders.

As already reported, in the negotiations for the recent Anglo-French loan the Yu-chuan-pu declined to state the specific subject of the loan, although it is known that it is for the redemption of the Peking-Hankow railway. The receipt now published in the *Official Gazette* permits the raising of additional money for this object by means of a domestic loan, the first instalment of which is to be £1,000,000 (about £1,000,000) redeemable in 12 years. The interest is to be 7 per cent, plus 25 per cent of the profits. The bonds are to be to bearer and the scrip accepted as legal tender at its face value in all offices under the control of the Yu-chuan-pu. Imperial rewards are promised to large purchasers. One ominous clause, however, forbids any inspection of the accounts.

THE KING OF SIAM'S EVENTFUL REIGN.

The foundation stone of the New Throne Hall, Bangkok, was laid by His Majesty the King of Siam, on the 11th instant, in connection with the recent reign celebrations in Siam.

In reply to an address presented by the Crown Prince, His Majesty said that the changes which have taken place during the last forty years in Siam are such as even five hundred years of our previous national existence could not have accompanied. It makes us especially happy to think that it is we who have occupied the throne throughout these forty eventful years, and have enabled our beloved country to be guided in the path of administrative improvement and national prosperity along the line of

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Silk and Valuables; all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "ARABIA" due in London on the 23rd January, 1909. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1908. [1]

YUEE-HAN RAILWAY COMPANY, LD.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of 500 CASKS of ALSEN CEMENT in Iron Casks with Wooden ends, to be delivered off Wongcha Railway Wharf not later than 1st January, 1909. Specification of same will be given to any who intend to tender on applying to the ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF'S Office, Canton. Tenders will be open on the 11th of DECEMBER at 2 p.m. in the Railway Head Office, Canton.

The Company is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.
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Canton, 25th November, 1908. [1614]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on Account of the year 1908, of Thirty Cents per share, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after FRIDAY, 27th November, 1908, on Warrants to be obtained at the Company's Office. The Dividend will also be Payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, on and after the same date.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 24th instant, until MONDAY, the 30th instant, both days inclusive, during which period No Transfer of Shares will be effected.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1585]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Lower Albert Rd., Victoria, Hongkong, TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 1st day of Dec., 1908, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the following resolutions, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 17th day of November, 1908, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

1. "That the Capital of the Company be increased by the sum of \$112,500 divided into 15,000 Shares of \$7.50 each and that the Directors be authorised to allot such shares pro rata among the existing shareholders according to the number of shares in respect of which they may, on the 27th day of October, 1908, be registered, in the proportion of three new shares for each complete lot of five shares held by them on that date and that any of such new shares remaining over after such allotment shall be dealt with by the Directors in their discretion."

2. That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by deleting paragraph 2 of Article IX and by substituting therefor the following paragraph:

2. The Register, or Registers, of shareholders and the Register of Transfers may be closed for such period or periods at such time or times as the Directors may think fit but the period or periods of such closure shall not exceed in the whole 30 days in any one year.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
S. A. SETH,
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Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1602]

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"That the Directors be authorised to declare a bonus or dividend out of the Reserve and Cattle Reserve Funds or out of the accumulated profits of the Company sufficient to pay a call of \$6.00 per share upon the New Capital already authorised to be raised by Special Resolution and that such bonus or dividend be appropriated for the purpose of paying such call."

By Order,
S. A. SETH,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1908. [1603]

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BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

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NOTIFICATION.

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J. BELL,
Principal Civil Medical Officer.
Medical Department,
Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1608]



MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a MEETING of HIS MAJESTY'S JUDICIAL OFFICE for the Colony will be held at the MAGISTRACY, at 2.15 P.M., on MONDAY, the 7th December, 1908, for the purpose of considering the following application under the Liquor Licences Ordinances, 1898 and 1908, viz.:—
From one O. E. OWEN for a Publican's Licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors on premises numbered 30, Elgin Road, Kowloon, under the sign of "THE KOWLOON HOTEL."
J. H. KEMP,
Police Magistrate.
Hongkong, 24th November, 1908. [1617]



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under:—
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On TUESDAY, the 1st December:—
From Pakshawan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On WEDNESDAY, the 2nd December:—
From Salwan in a North-Easterly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 5.30 p.m., and finishing at 5.30 p.m.

On THURSDAY, the 3rd December:—
From Stonecutters (West) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

From Stonecutters in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

On FRIDAY, the 4th December:—
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On MONDAY, the 7th December:—
From Central in a South-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 10 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

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On WEDNESDAY, the 9th December:—
From L. Belchers in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 3,000 yards, commencing at 9.30 a.m., and finishing at 12 noon.

From Stonecutters (East) in a Westerly direction, at ranges up to 10,000 yards, commencing at 11.30 a.m., and finishing at 1 p.m.

On THURSDAY, the 10th December:—
From Stonecutters (Central) in a North-Westerly direction, at ranges up to 6,000 yards, commencing at 6.30 p.m., and finishing at 10 p.m.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1908. [1618]

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EVAN OSMISTON,
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Hongkong, 23rd April 1908. 23

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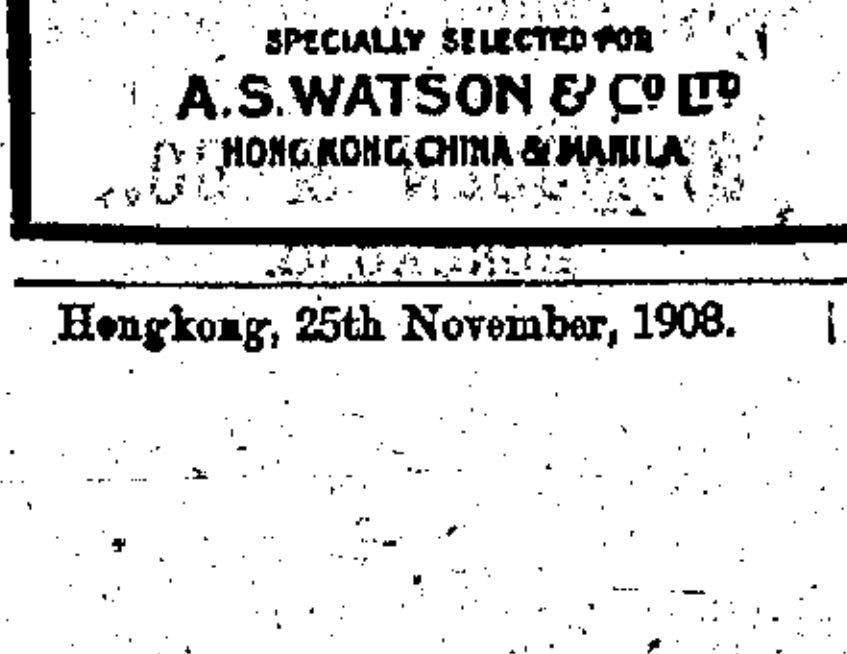
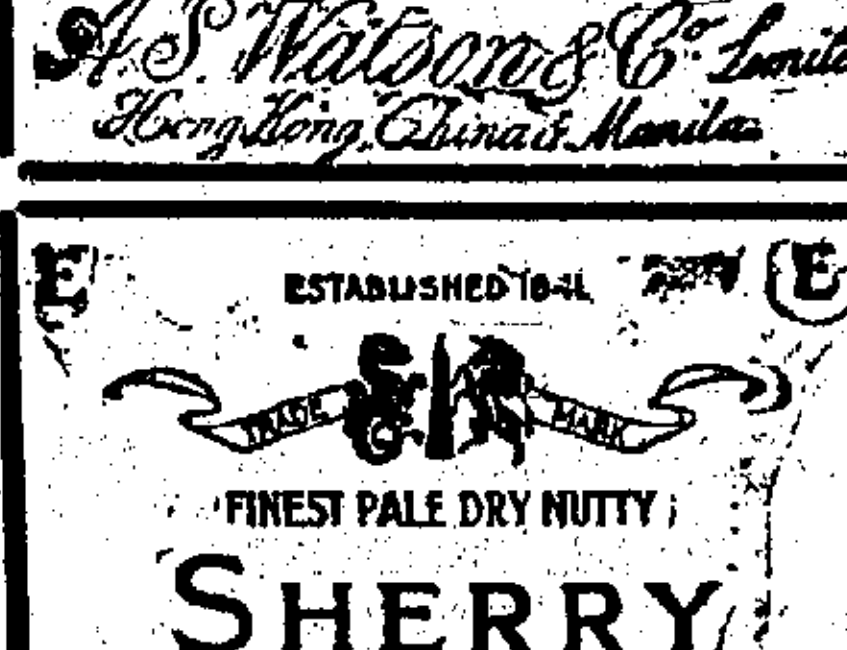
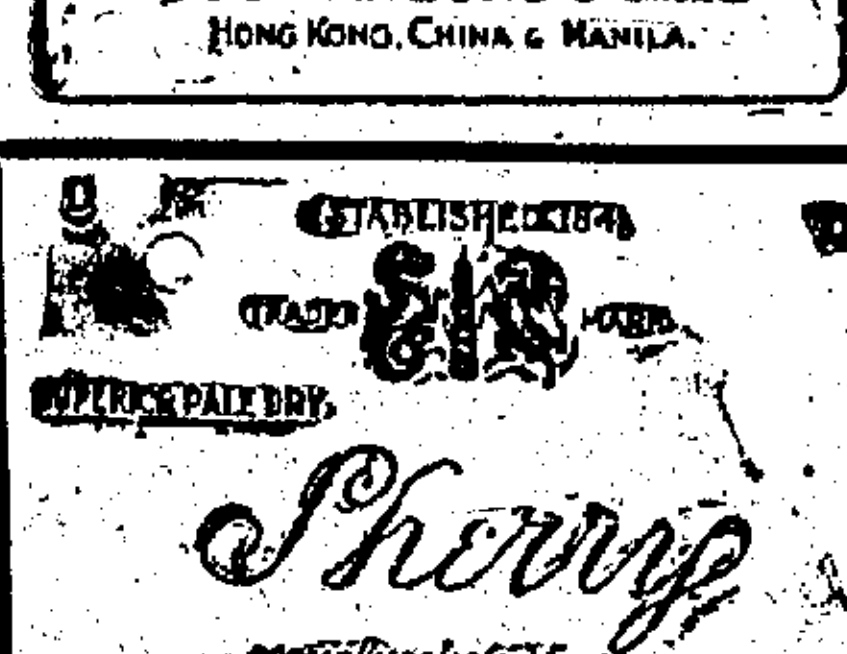
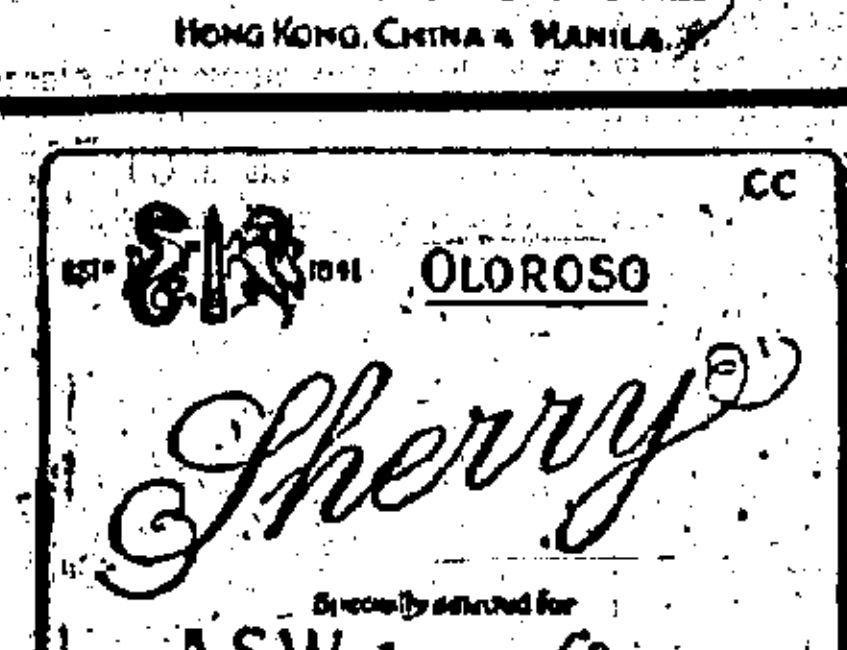
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Hongkong, 5th September, 1903. 114

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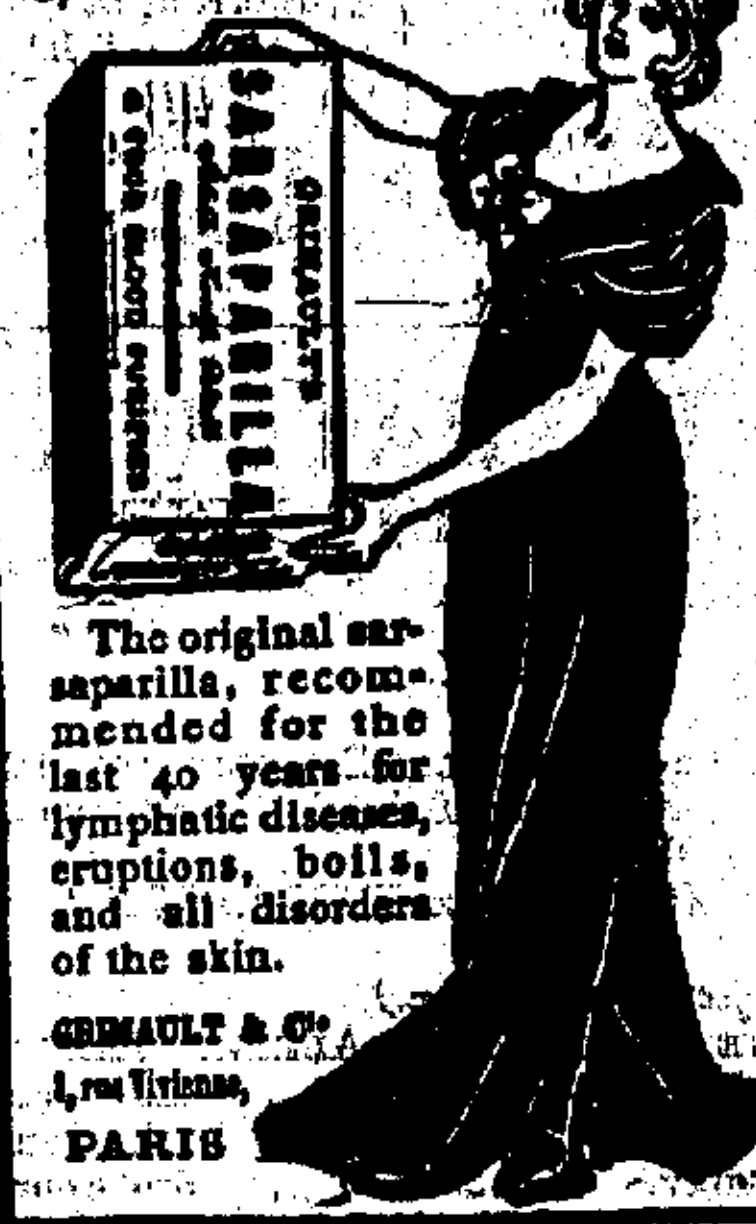
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THE SHOEGRON AUTOMATIC GUNS

Demonstrations were given recently at the practice ground of the Normal Powder Company near Willesden, of the Normal automatic shot-gun and of a machine, operated on the same principle, applied in a different fashion. A correspondent writing to the Times says:—There have been and there are, of course, many other automatic rifles, and a few automatic fowling pieces have been placed on the market. Others of these latter have, as may not be known generally, been made from private design for private use. All may be divided into two classes, those operated by gas and those operated by recoil. The Normal shot-gun, based on the Shoe Gron system, so-called from the name of its Swedish inventor, is operated by the recoil, and it is to be noted as a distinction, barrel and stock are immovably attached to each other and retain their relative positions at all times. An illustration of the manner of action may be given best in the words of the makers, who choose a familiar analogy:—

"In these days of frequent railway journeys every one has observed the sudden lurch of strap-hanging passengers when a train unexpectedly starts. The lurch is not in reality any movement of the strap-hanger, but merely an illustration of the tendency of a body not in movement to remain at rest. Relative to the moving train the passengers seem to swing backwards, and the more swiftly the train starts the more violent will be the lurch. Now, when a gun is fired, the gun immediately recoils, or starts back. The 'Normal' automatic gun is fitted with a movable breech-bolt cover which is held in position in its guides by means of springs. This cover, a body not in movement, retains by its own inertia its position while the rest of the gun is driven back. Consequently, exactly as in the case of the strap-hanger, it seems to lurch forward at the commencement of recoil. No mechanism is required to make this forward motion, the real movement being in the gun, which goes back. The cover, thus left behind through its own inertia, compresses the recoil spring in front of it, and also cocks the striker. At this stage, the gun having, so to speak, slipped away from under the bolt cover, the backward drive of the whole weapon is partially arrested and the recoil spring begins to thrust the cover back to its original position. In this movement, the cover, so to speak, catching up with the gun, the breech bolt is for the first time unbolts. The cover, continuing its travel, then carries the bolt with it. The bolt in this movement extracts the spent cartridge case from the chamber and the ejector then ejects it. Meanwhile, a fresh cartridge is supplied from the magazine, and the backward motion is continued until the cover has compressed the closing spring and is stopped by the solid magazine. In the backward movement the cartridge stop controlling the carriers which raises the cartridge issuing from the magazine, also partakes. The cartridge releases the carrier latch, which in its normal position obstructs the return of the breech block cover to its closed position. Should, therefore, the magazine be empty, the breech will remain unbolts. Otherwise the cover is carried home by the closing spring and the gun is ready for the next discharge."

From a practical point of view, however, what one looks to is the appearance and behaviour of the gun or rifle, as the case may be, particularly in relation to certain weaknesses not unusual in the case of automatic weapons. The gun, then, is an easy weapon to handle, comes up quickly and well, is handy, not by any means cumbersome in the breach, and, as was shown, will easily discharge five shots well inside four seconds. Its special merit is that no operation of the marksmen's hand is required for cocking, as it is in most other cases. The mechanism, also, is well adapted to that is to say, with certainty, and without unnecessary violence, the latter a grievous fault of some automatic guns. The value of such a gun for sporting purposes is obvious. Not everybody can afford to be able to employ effectively and safely several guns and loaders at the covert side or in the butts; and a sportsman with two automatic guns and a loader would be placed at great advantage. The whole affair as at present put it would obviously be easy to employ the finest and most easily handled known to the trade. The principle of the rifle is similar, but somewhat differently applied, the magazine being filled by a clip of five cartridges, whereas in the fowling-piece magazine the cartridges are inserted separately. Like the fowling-piece, the rifle requires no separate operation of the hand to cock it for each discharge. The right hand need never be moved from the trigger, and five shots are easily fired within four seconds. The ejector action struck one as being unusually sure and safe. Points to be noted are that there is no "cut off" which will not please the naval authorities—that the rifle can be used as a single and that, in case of a misfire, the defective cartridge can be got rid of with consummate ease. Of such misfires, by the way, there were two in two successive clips, which seemed rather a large allowance considering that they were certainly not premeditated. This rifle is stated to be under the consideration of the War Office authorities at the present time. It can be taken to pieces and put together again very rapidly.

THE ATTEMPT ON SIR ANDREW FRASER'S LIFE.

DRAMATIC SCENE AND DESPERATE STRUGGLE.

The dastardly attempt to assassinate Sir Andrew Fraser, Chief Governor of Bengal which took place on the 8th inst. is thus described in a Calcutta dispatch.—His Honour had just entered the Y.M.C.A. branch at Overton hall, Calcutta, where he was to preside at a lecture by Professor Ernest De Witt Burton, of Chicago University, when a stalwart Bengali, named J. Roy Chowdhuri, dashed forward and, thrusting a revolver into His Honour's face pulled the trigger twice. Fortunately the weapon missed fire, and before a third attempt could be made Mr. B. R. Barber, the Secretary of the branch, sprang at Chowdhuri, who fought like a madman for freedom. In the meantime the Maharaja of Bardwan dragged Sir Andrew into an anti-chamber. Chowdhuri was eventually overpowered, and was lodged in jail. Mr. Barber received a nasty gash on the head from the revolver. A stampede and confusion prevailed in the hall, which was densely crowded by the Bengali community. On order being restored Sir Andrew Fraser mounted the platform and was cheered to the echo for his coolness. His Honour then opened the proceedings, after the conclusion of which he left the hall amidst a special cheer along the route. This is the third attempt on the Chief-Governor, who retired to England on the 28th instant, travelling via Ceylon to visit his son in Kandy.

The motive assigned for the outrage is His Honour's refusal to commute the sentence of death on Satyendra Nath Bose, one of the assassins of the approver Gossain in the terrorist trials. Chowdhuri refused to make a statement, saying that he had no more to say.

official residence as the result of his providential escape. The antecedents of Jotindra Nath Roy Chowdhuri who attempted to assassinate Sir Andrew Fraser are not yet fully known. He is a relative of Satyendra Nath Bose, one of the murderers of the approver Gossain. It is stated that he says he fully intended to kill the Chief-Governor in order to avenge the death penalty on Bose, which the Chief-Governor refused to commute. His house has been searched and many suspicious documents found. He is alleged to be a friend of the conspirators now being tried at Alipore. He is 18 years of age and is a second year student at the General Assembly Institution.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich Georg & Co. in their weekly share list, dated the 28th November, 1903, say:—During the week under review our local market has ruled firm for a good many stocks, and Banks, Unions, Cantons and Shell Transport, as well as a few smaller stocks have improved in value, but the volume of business has been small only, owing to the difficulty in getting people to part with their holdings, while on the other hand, intending buyers are reluctant to increase offers. The sterling demand rate of exchange on London has fallen to 1s. 8½d., while rates on Shanghai are 7s. 7½d. for a Bank T/T and 7s. 7½d. for a three days' sight. Private Bill, the rate in Shanghai on this for a three days' sight Private Draft being 7s. 7½d. Bar silver in London is quoted 22s. 10d., and Consols 284½. The Bank of England's rate of discount remains 2½ per cent., which is also the private market rate of discount.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong & Shanghai have been in steady demand at rapidly rising rates, but few shares changed hands; up to 8½s has been paid, and there are buyers at that figure. Shanghai quotes buyers at 85½s at an exchange of 7s. while the London quotation is 282. 15s. Nationals are unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions have been done at 790 to 800, closing with buyers at the higher rate. China Traders are unchanged, and so are Yangtzes. North China have improved to buyers at 7s. 92, while Cantons have advanced to 810s sales.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong remain on offer at 830, but Chinas have gone up to buyers at 8102.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Meise Steamboats sold in small lots at 829 and 829½, closing with sellers at 829½. Indo-Chinas are for sale at 854 (proportion and deferred combined), while Shanghai wires buyers at 7s. 37½, the London rates are unchanged. China and Manila, Douglas, as well as Star Ferries and Union Waterboats, are unchanged, and without sales. Shell Transport, in sympathy with the London quotation of 49s. 6d. sellers, have buyers at 47s. 6d. for bearer shares.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have been done at 8112½. Lucas fetched 818. Mixing Shares.—Charbonnages are unchanged. Ranks sold up to 713, closing steady. Chinese Engineering and Mining Company shares have buyers in the North at 7s. 15½.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—A few small lots of Hongkong and Whampoa Docks sold at 82, at which figure a few are obtainable. Fenwicks, as well as New Amoy Docks are unchanged. Shanghai Docks have fallen in Shanghai to 7s. 71, and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves to 7s. 142½. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves changed hands at 84½ and 84½, and have sellers at latter rate.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Small parcels of Hongkong Lands changed owners at 83, but shares are on offer at that figure. Kowloon Lands continue in demand at 840, while West Point have sellers at 860. Hongkong Hotels can be placed at 860. Humphreys' Estates sold at 89.40 to 89½, and are steady at latter rate. Shanghai Lands are firm at 7s. 116½.

COTTON MILLS.—Bwos are quoted in Shanghai 7s. 67 buyers. Internationals have buyers in the North at 7s. 55; Loon Kung Mows are quoted 7s. 72½ sellers, and Soeyokees 7s. 240 buyers. Hongkong cottons are quiet at 810.

SUNDRY MANUFACTURING COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric sold and have buyers at 818, and Bells Asbestos are wanted at 88. Dairy Farms sold at 224. Green Island Cements have been done and are on offer at 810. Other stocks under this heading are unchanged and without transactions.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Boreas have improved to 811. China Providents sold at 89½ to 89.60, closing with buyers at 89½. Langkats have gone up to 7s. 900 buyers; A. S. Watsons have buyers at 89 ex the interim dividend of 30 cents per share paid yesterday. In other stocks under this heading no sales have been reported and rates are unchanged.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AMIGO, German str., 222, Frandsen, 28th Nov.
—Haiphong 24th and Hoihow 26th Nov.
—Jensen & Co.
CHOYSANG, British str., 29th Nov.—Canton.
DAGNY, Nor. str., 29th Nov.—Canton.
FUEBIA MARU, Jap. str., 1946, S. Kumawaki,
29th Nov.—Moji 23rd Nov., Coal—Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha.
GERMANIA, German str., 1771, C. Jurgenson,
28th Nov.—Touma 23rd Nov., Coal—
Jensen & Co.
HAICHING, British str., 1267, W. C. Passmore,
29th Nov.—Fochow, Amoy and Swatow
28th Nov., General—Douglas Leprick &
Co.
HAILAN, French str., 377, O. A. Hoeg, 29th
Nov.—Hoihow 27th Nov., General—
A. R. Marty.
HINANG, British str., 1526, A. Smith, 28th
Nov.—Samarang 16th November, Sugar—
Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HUPEN, British str., 1205, G. J. Spink, 28th
Nov.—Haiphong and Hoihow 27th Nov.,
General—Butterfield & Swire.
KAGA MARU, Jap. str., 3966, G. S. Leprik,
29th Nov.—Shanghai 26th Nov., General—
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KIANGPINO, Chinese str., 29th Nov.—Canton.
KUKIANG, British str., 29th Nov.—Canton.
KINTUCK, British str., 2995, B. C. Lewis, 29th
Nov.—Shanghai 26th Nov., General—
Butterfield & Swire.
KNIVSBERG, German str., 646, Henk, 29th Nov.
—Swatow 28th Nov., General—Jensen &
Co.
LANDRATSCHEIFF, German str., 1620, Grandt,
28th Nov.—Chefoo 21st November,
Beans—Stensen & Co.
SHINCHIKU MARU, Jap. str., 3120, H. Yawa-
mori, 29th Nov.—Moji 23rd Nov., Coal—
Brady & Co.
SZECHUEN, British str., 1157, Stillford, 29th
Nov.—Chefoo 25th Nov., General—Butter-
field & Swire.
TAKASAKI MARU, Jap. str., 3000, A. Mecker,
28th Nov.—Dumay and Singapore 19th
Nov., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
TITAN, British str., 5720, R. Day, 29th Nov.—
Manila 26th Nov., General—Butterfield &
Swire.
TOONAN, Chinese str., 29th Nov.—Canton.

DEPARTURES.

28th November.
BENMOOR, British str., for Nagasaki.
BINGO MARU, Japanese str., for Yokohama.
CHUYEN, Chinese str., for Shanghai.
CLARA JENSEN, German str., for Haiphong.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, Br. str., for Vancouver.
FOOKANG, British str., for Singapore.
HOKSAN MARU, Jap. str., for Kutchinotzu.
MATILDE, German str., for Haiphong.
NIPPON MARU, Japanese str., for Yokohama.
NORD, British str., for Tientsin.
OCEANA, British str., for Europe, &c.
ROBI, British str., for Manila.
TILKATAP, Dutch str., for Batavia.
TUNGHEIN, British str., for Shanghai.
WAKAMATSU MARU, Jap. str., for Kutchinotzu.
29th November.
CORSE, French str., for Shanghai.
ECLIPSE, Br. 4-masted bark, for Baltimore.
J. DIEBENHUSEN, Ger. str., for Hoihow.
JOHN MARU, Jap. str., for Swatow.
LANDRATSCHEIFF, Ger. str., for Canton.
YATUNG, British str., for Ningpo.
YOHOW, British str., for Shanghai.
YUNNAN, British str., for Amoy.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Haiching* reports: Strong N.E. winds and heavy sea to Swatow, thence moderate to fresh winds to Port, fine and clear throughout.
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LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SEMAI	Brit. str.	—	A. G. Cahill, M.B.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 2nd Dec.
LONDON, HAMBURG & ANTWERP	DENBIGHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	W. Hayward, M.B.E.	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 5th Dec.
LONDON &c., VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	Sachs	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 12th Dec., at Noon.
HAYRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SEGOWIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	v. Dohren	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 9th Dec.
HAYRE, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SCANDIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Brehmer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd Dec.
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & HAMBURG, &c.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	—	Gulonset	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 7th Dec.
MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL	ARMAND BEHIC	Fr. str.	—	T. Mural	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 8th Dec., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	BARATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	G. D. Bennett, M.B.E.	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Dec., at D'light
MARSEILLES, HAYRE & COPENHAGEN	SIAM	Dan. str.	—	H. Fraser	MALCHERS & CO.	On 30th March
MARSEILLES & LONDON VIA FOMAT	MACEDONIA	Brit. str.	—	N. Nielsen	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd Dec., at D'light
GENOA, MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, &c.	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. v. Blaser	MALCHERS & CO.	On 2nd Dec., at Noon
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	—	Nitsche	SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	About 24th Dec.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR &c.	PRINZ LUDWIG	Ger. str.	—	McDougall	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 3rd Dec.
TRIESTE, &c., VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	WRAY CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	ANNOLD, KARBURG & CO.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	About 12th Dec.
NEW YORK	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Dec., at 7 P.M.
BOSTON & NEW YORK	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th Dec., at 4 P.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c.	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA PORT DARWIN	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI & NAGASAKI	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
JAPAN	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
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SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
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AMOY & CHINKIANG	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
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SWATOW	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
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LOILOI VIA AMOY, MANILA & CEBU	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.
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BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	TEBOP PRINCE	Am. str.	—	G. S. Leprik	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th Dec.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & HAMBURG	"PRINZ LUDWIG" Capt. v. BINZER	Wed'ay, 2nd Dec., at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"BUELOW" Capt. H. FOERMES	About Wed'ay, 2nd December.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"MANILA" Capt. J. MINNSEN	Thursday, 3rd Dec., at 5 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BOBNEO" Capt. F. SEMBIL	Beginning of January, 09

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SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"BERNEST SIMONS" Capt. Girard	On 7th Dec., P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"ARMAND BEHIC" Capt. Guloanet	On 8th Dec., 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TONKIN" Capt. Charbonnet	On 21st Dec., P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"DUMBEA" Capt. Boyer	On 22nd Nov., 1 P.M.

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LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PEN- ANG, COLOMBO Port SAID and MARSHALLS	SOMALI Capt. A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.	On 2nd Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NILE Capt. E. F. Martin, R.N.R.	About 4th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELTA Capt. B. W. H. Snow	About 10th Dec.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS DEYANHA	DEVANHA Capt. W. Hayward, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th Dec.	See Special of Call.

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 30th November, 1908.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STREAMERS	TO SAIL
AMOI and CHINKIANG	"YUNNAN"	On 30th Dec., 4 P.M.
THINGTAI	"CHINKIANG"	On 30th Dec., 4 P.M.
LOILOI via AMOI, MANILA and Cebu	"SUNGKIANG"	On 1st Dec., 9 A.M.
HOIHOW, FAKHOI and HAIPHONG	"HUPEH"	On 2nd Dec., 9 A.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 2nd Dec., 4 P.M.
CEBU and LOILOI	"HUICHOW"	On 3rd Nov., 4 P.M.

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FOR	STREAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"CHOYANG"	Tuesday, 1st Dec., Noon.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	Tuesday, 1st Dec., Noon.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 2nd Dec., 1 P.M.
SINGAPORE	"ONSANG"	Friday, 4th Dec., Noon.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 4th Dec., 4 P.M.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 11th Dec., 4 P.M.
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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STREAMERS	DATE OF SAILING
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"SIAM"	About 8th December.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"YEDDO"	End of December.
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Hongkong Office.

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Hongkong, 24th November, 1908.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS	STREAMERS	SAILING DATES 1908.
MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	HAKATA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 9th Dec., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, H.O. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI	WAKASA MARU	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Dec., at Daylight.
MOI KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU	TUESDAY, 8th Dec., at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	TOKA MARU	TUESDAY, 22nd Dec., at 4 P.M.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI and NAGASAKI	KUMANO MARU	THURSDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KAMANO MARU	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan., at Noon, 09
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MOYORI MARU	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Dec., at Daylight.
	KAWACHI MARU	SATURDAY, 5th Dec., at Daylight.
	KAMANO MARU	SATURDAY, 12th Dec., at Daylight.
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Hongkong 30th November, 1908.

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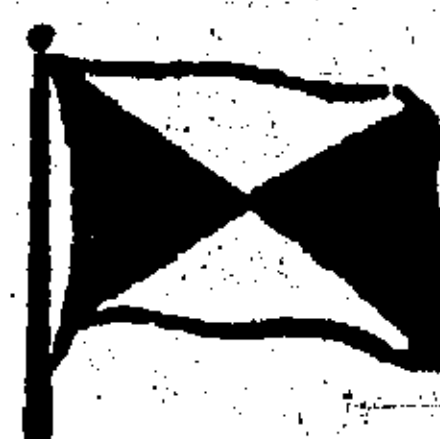
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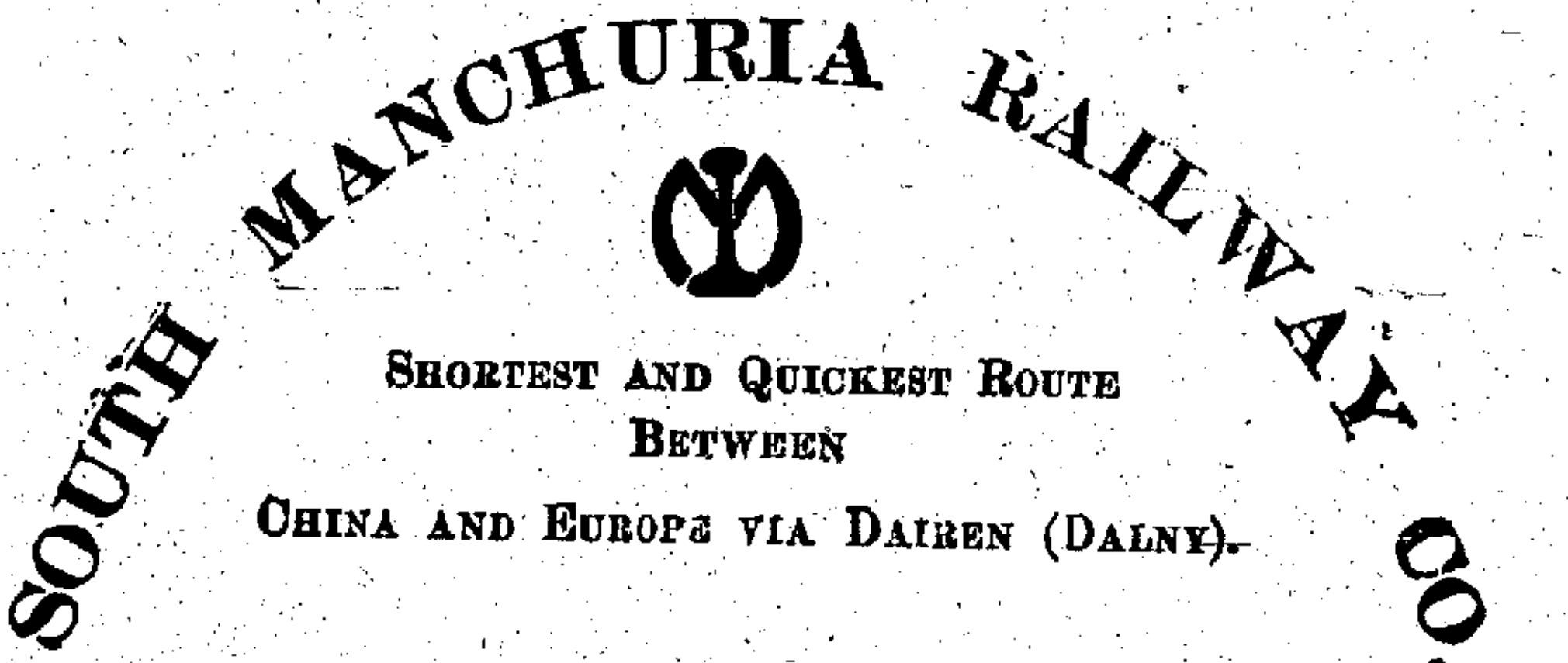
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